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SUBJECT: DISARMAMENT: VIEWS OF PROSPECTIVE CHAIRMAN
VELLODI (INDIA) ON UN DISARMAMENT COMMISSION

1. UNDC ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING: AT OUR REQUEST VELLODI
MET WITH POLMIN PETREE AND MISOFF ON SEPTEMBER 27 FOR
INITIAL DISCUSSION OF UNDC ISSUES. SECRETARIAT HAD
SUGGESTED STANDARD AGENDA FOR ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS
(ELECTION OF OFFICERS, ETC.), AND VELLODI HOPED THAT
OCTOBER 9-13 MEETINGS COULD BE HELD TO THAT, WITHOUT
ANY SUBSTANTIVE "GENERAL DEBATE" THAT WOULD PREEMPT
COMITE I OPENING THE FOLLOWING WEEK.

2. PROJECTION FOR 1979 UNDC MEETING: VELLODI SAID HE
WAS WORKING WITH SECRETARIAT TO GROUP SSOD RECOMMENDATIONS
UNDER SEVEN MAIN HEADINGS (HE MENTIONED NUCLEAR ISSUES,
CONVENTIONAL ARMS, DISARMAMENT STUDIES, AND THE DISARMAMENT/
DEVELOPMENT RELATIONSHIP BUT IT WAS NOT CLEAR IF THESE
WERE FOUR OF THE "HEADINGS"). WHEN THIS TASK WAS DONE,
HE WOULD SEEK TO DEVELOP A SHORT LIST OF ITEMS THAT THE
UNDC COULD "DELIBERATE" ABOUT, WHILE KEEPING INTACT THE
GENERAL MANDATE ASSIGNED TO IT BY THE SSOD. LIST WOULD
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NOT INCLUDE NATIONAL PROPOSALS THE SSOD HAD NOT ACTED ON;
UNGA WOULD HAVE TO DEAL WITH THEM.

3. RULES OF PROCEDURE: VELLODI SAID THE SSOD HAD GIVEN A
"CERTAIN LEAD" TOWARD THE ADOPTION OF CONSENSUS PROCEDURE
FOR THE UNDC, AT HIS OWN SUGGESTION, AND HE HOPED
THIS COULD BE MAINTAINED. HE DID NOT RELISH THE PROSPECT

OF REPEATING RECENT EXPERIENCE IN GENEVA AT THE PREPARATORY CONFERENCE ON LAWS OF WAR. PETREE SAID US WOULD CERTAINLY CONCUR.

4. SUBSIDIARY BODIES: VELLODI SAID WE MIGHT RECALL THAT HE HAD NOT FAVORED RECONSTITUTING UNDC AS A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, AND IN DUE COURSE HE WOULD FAVOR SETTING UP WORKING GROUPS OR SUBCOMMITTEES TO DEAL WITH SPECIFIC TOPICS ON THE UNDC AGENDA. PETREE SAID WE WOULD WANT TO REFLECT ON THIS APPROACH, BUT AS OF NOW CONCEIVED OF UNDC TASK AS BEING CONSIDERATION OF A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM FOR DISARMAMENT. VELLODI SEEMED SLIGHTLY PIQUED AT THIS AND SAID DEFENSIVELY THAT HE HAD NEVER THOUGHT OF UNDC AS ANYTHING BUT "DELIBERATIVE", BUT SSOD HAD TASKED IT WITH CONSIDERING "ELEMENTS" OF A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM. HE HOPED THAT UNDC WOULD NOT BEGIN WITH A DEBATE ON WHERE "DELIBERATIONS" STOPPED AND "NEGOTIATING" BEGAN. AS HE SAW IT, THE UNDC MIGHT WELL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE UNGA, BUT IT WOULD NOT DRAFT AGREEMENTS.

5. TIMING: VELLODI SAID HE ASSUMED ONLY TIME WHEN UNDC COULD BE HELD WOULD BE BETWEEN THE TWO ANNUAL SESSIONS OF THE CD (I.E., IN THE LATE SPRING), UNLESS WORK ON THE DRAFT CTB THAT THE MEMBERS HOPED TO SEE EMERGE FROM TRILATERAL TALKS AT THE END OF THE YEAR COULD BE EXPECTED TO TIE THE CD UP IN A PROTRACTED

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SESSION. US REPS DID NOT COMMENT.

6. VELLODI SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO US REPS AGAIN NEXT WEEK AFTER CONSULTATIONS WITH OTHERS. WE WERE FIRST DELEGATION HE HAD SPOKEN WITH. YOUNG

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